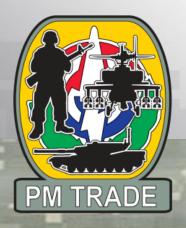


Army Tactical Engagement Simulation System (A-TESS)





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Topics



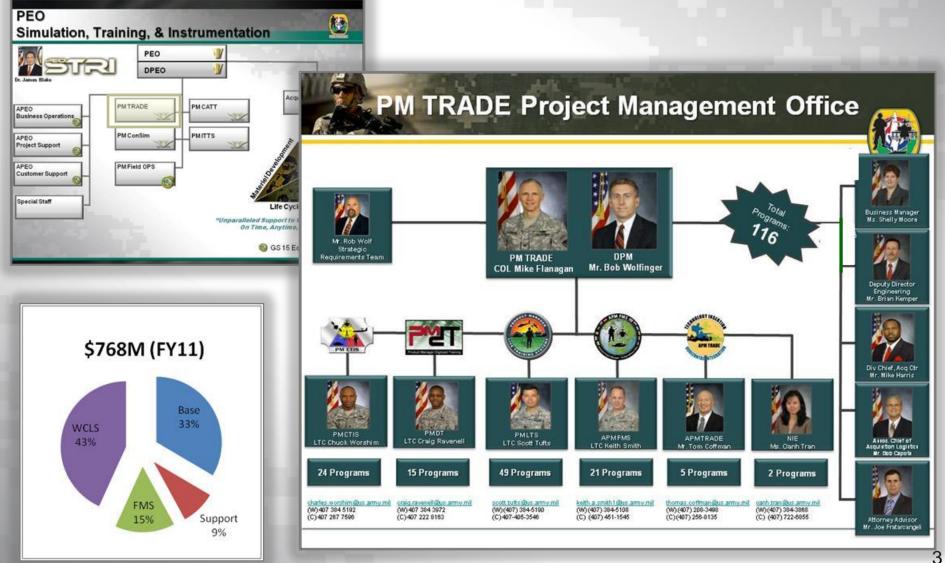
- Who we are.
 - ✓ PM Training Devices (TRADE).
 - ✓ Live Training Transformation (LT2).
- · A-TESS.
 - ✓ Acquisition Approach.
 - ✓ Challenges.
- Supporting Initiatives.
 - ✓ Consolidated Product Line.
 - ✓ Architecture
 - ✓ Live Training Engagement Composition (LTEC).
- LT2 Standards Body.
 - ✓ LT2 Standards Portal Update.
 - ✓ LT2 ICD Portal Update.
 - ✓ Standards Calendar.
 - ✓ IS/TESS Test Bed.
 - ✓ Audio & Visual Cueing Standard
- √ Wrap-Up.

- ✓ Governance.
- ✓ Test & Training
- ✓ MILES / TESS Test Bed.
- ✓ Power Standard.
- ✓ PAN Standard.
- ✓ PAN Extension.
- ✓ IS/TESS ICD Redesign.

PM Training Devices (TRADE)

Delivering the Army Training Capabilities since 1974





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Force-On-Force

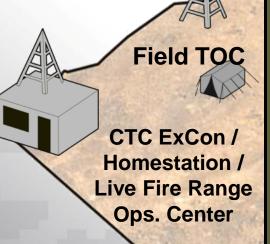
Live Test & Training

Operational Environment



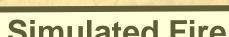


Training Instrumentation System



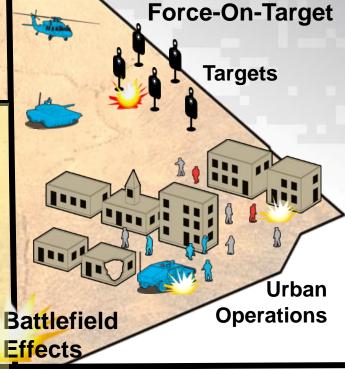
ExCon & Comms

ExCon, AAR, RF Comms. ABCS, & **Network Data Management** PM CTIS T-IS



Combined Arms Engagement Pairing BLUFOR & OPFOR

PM LTS



Simulated Fire

Instrumented Urban Operations, & Battlefield Effects

Live Fire

PM DT

FASIT

Standards Management (CTIA, A-TESS, FASIT) - APM TRADE



The future of Live, Force on Force training.

A Capability Document History Lesson



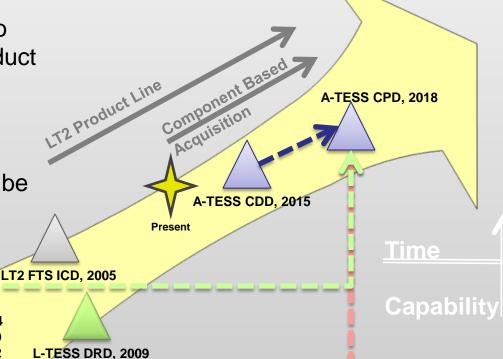
 A-TESS will be the first capability to have its foundation rooted in a product line approach.

 Architecturally driven, component based acquisition will be the norm.

 OneTESS CPD & MILES ORD will be superseded by A-TESS CPD.

> OneTESS ORD, 2004 OneTESS CPD, 2009

> OneTESS CPD, 2012



MILES 2000 ORD, 1993 MILES 2000 ORD, 1996

SAWE RF TDR, 1988

MILES TDR, 1975



Legacy - Limited Interoperability



- Systems currently acquired using the MILES Communication Code (MCC) as the primary mechanism for interoperability.
- Independent PAN for capability.
- Backwards compatibility required with Legacy Systems.
- Limited RDT&E.
- Capability has been injected via obsolescence and PDSS.



The future - Component Based



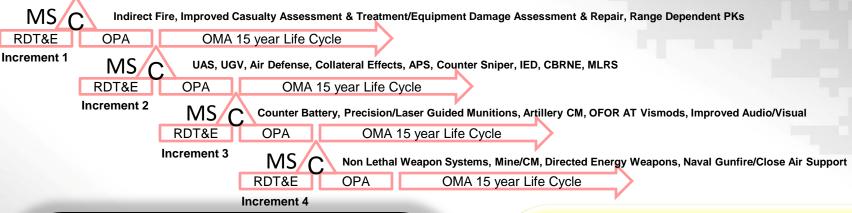
- Architecturally driven products and solutions.
- Live Training Engagement Composition (LTEC) driven solutions
- Fully interoperable and replaceable components.
 - ✓ Small Arm Transmitters
 - ✓ Detectors
 - √ Halo's
 - √ CVKI
 - ✓ Dismount/CoB Vests
 - √ Human Machine Interfaces
 - ✓ Etc...

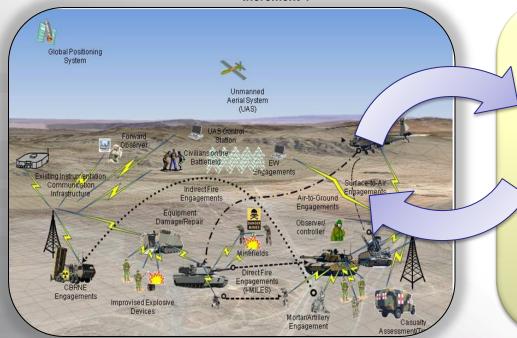


Phased Capabilities



FY18 FY22 FY26 FY30





- ✓ Increment priority requirements based on availability of funds and TRL.
- ✓ Architecture Driven.
- ✓ Standards based.
- ✓ Aligns with Training-Instrumentation System (T-IS).

Challenges



- 6 DOF, Precision Weapon Orientation.
 - ≤ ±3 angular Mils (appx. 3 mil-rad).
 - > 60 deg/sec slew rate.
- Burst on Target (BoT) Visual Effects.
 - ✓ MK-19.
 - ✓ M203/M320.
 - ✓ XM-25.



- Ultra-low latency Shooter-Target Communication.
 - ✓ XM-25 @ 50m.
 - ✓ Total system latency (trigger pull to BDA Visual/Audio Cue) = ~0.25 sec.
- Supportable mechanism for TESS software updating
 - ✓ LT2 PAN Update.
- ✓ Other Mechanisms.
- ✓ IS/TESS ICD Update.
- Laser Obscuration.





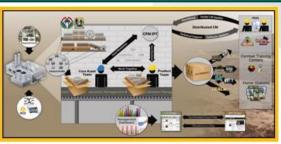


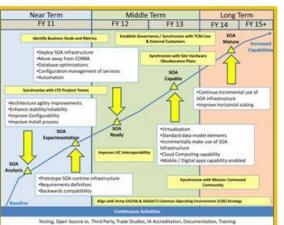
Architecturally driven, operationally proven.

Consolidated Product Line Management (CPM)

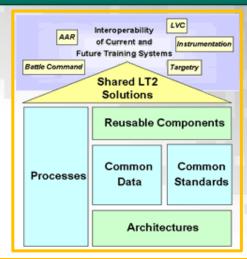


- CPM IDIQ.
- Software Factory.
- 2nd Generation Product Line.
 Management (2GPLM).
- Consolidated CM.
- Integration & Development Environment (IDE).
- Core Asset Evolution.
- CTIA 4.0, Architectural Framework & Standards.
- System of Systems.
- LT2 Portal.

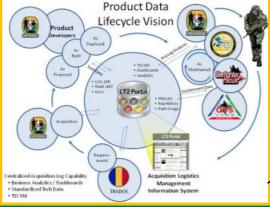










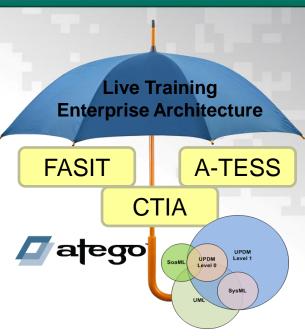


Architecture

Current Efforts



- Completed Tasks.
 - ✓ Completed a data driven market research to solidify an architectural tool to help manage our system-ofsystems challenges.
 - ✓ Decomposed the NTC, JRTC and a Homestation product baseline into the tool.
 - ✓ Generation of a Live Training Enterprise Architecture.
 - ✓ Evolvement of CTIA, A-TESS and FASIT Reference Architectures.
- On Going.
 - ✓ Joint Government / Industry evolvement of reference architectures.
 - ✓ System of Systems Governance schema.
 - ✓ How to keep model up to date.
 - ✓ Impact Analysis.



Architecture

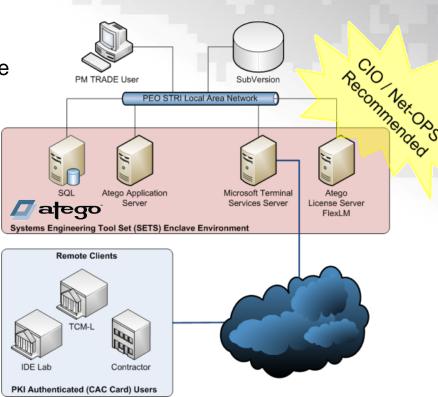
Decision Analysis Report / Tool Evaluation



Why should you care?

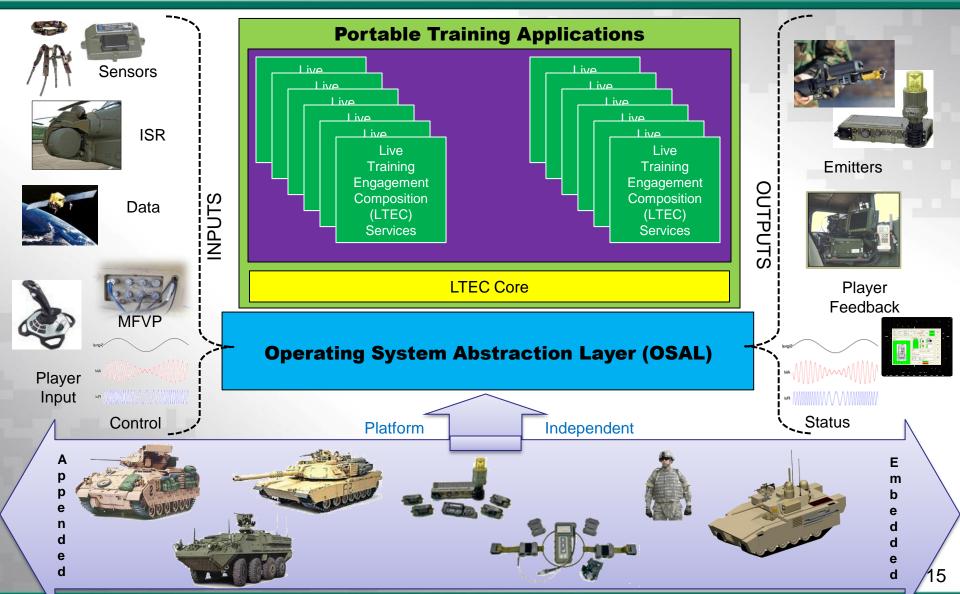
- Remote access planned to be made available with use of a CAC.
- Growth potential for remote model development possible.
- PM TRADE is working to develop SOW and CDRL language to allow for UPDM/SysML deliveries on acquisition programs.
 - ✓ Needed to prevent stale data.
- Draft governance methodology is being developed.

Industry suggestions on Governance, contract verbiage and architectural content is critically needed.



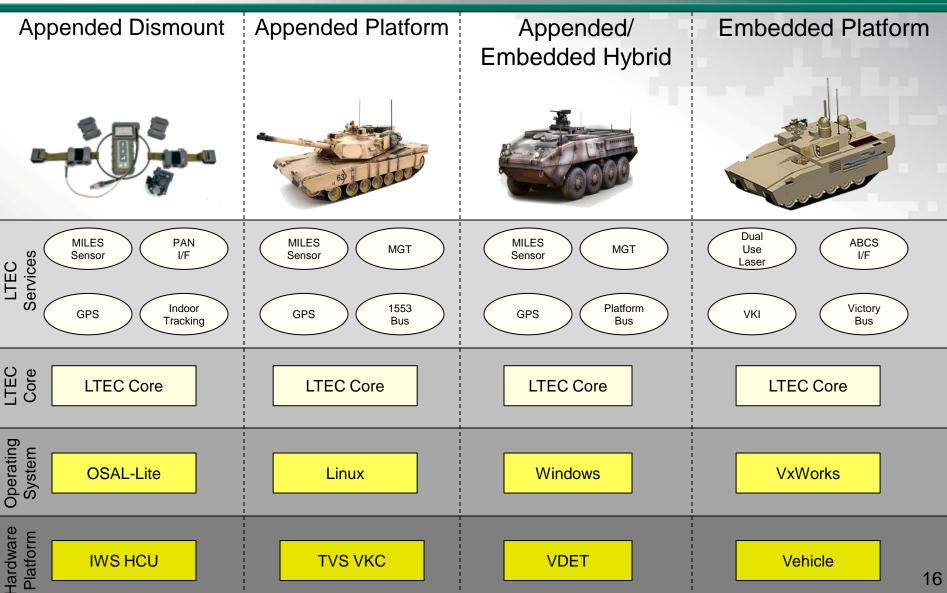
Software Product Line Vision





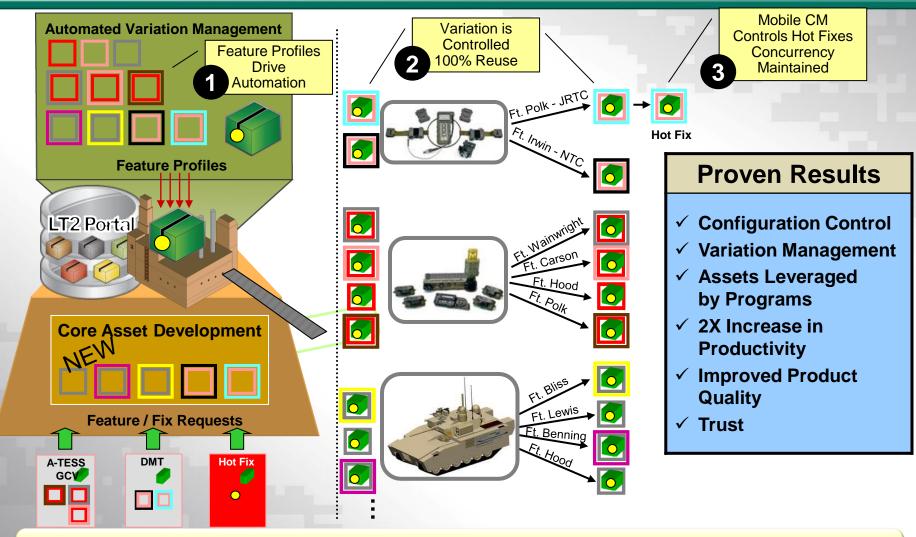
Example Compositions





PM TRADE

"CTIA for TESS"



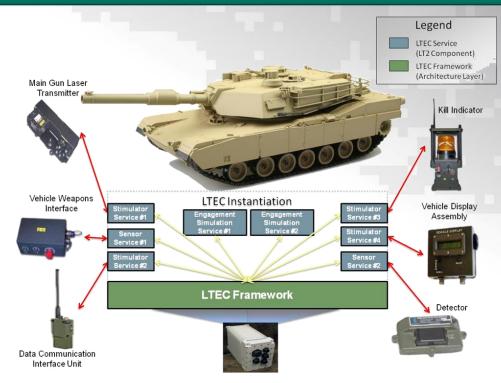
Leveraging software factory practices:

- ✓ Increased reliability.
- ✓ Decreased testing.
- ✓ Decreased risk.
- ✓ Decreased Lifecycle cost.
- ✓ Decreased time to field.
- √ Maximum flexibility.

"CTIA" for TESS / Features



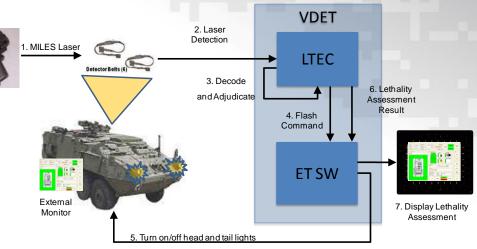
- Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)
 approach to designing and managing TESS software.
- Government-owned software resides on LT2 Portal and available to industry.
- LTEC Developer's Guide documents LTEC Framework APIs.
- Common representation of the battle space entity supports L/V/C interoperability and reuse.
- Hardware platform and operating system agnostic.



"CTIA" for TESS / Benefits



- Platform/OS independence allows deployment on multiple hardware platforms.
- "Service Contracts & Agreements" insure interoperability between independently developed TESS components.
- Same software can be used for appended or embedded TESS.
- Composable services allow capabilities to be added, extended over time.
- Separation of business logic from device interfaces allows reuse across multiple products and use cases (including L/V/C).

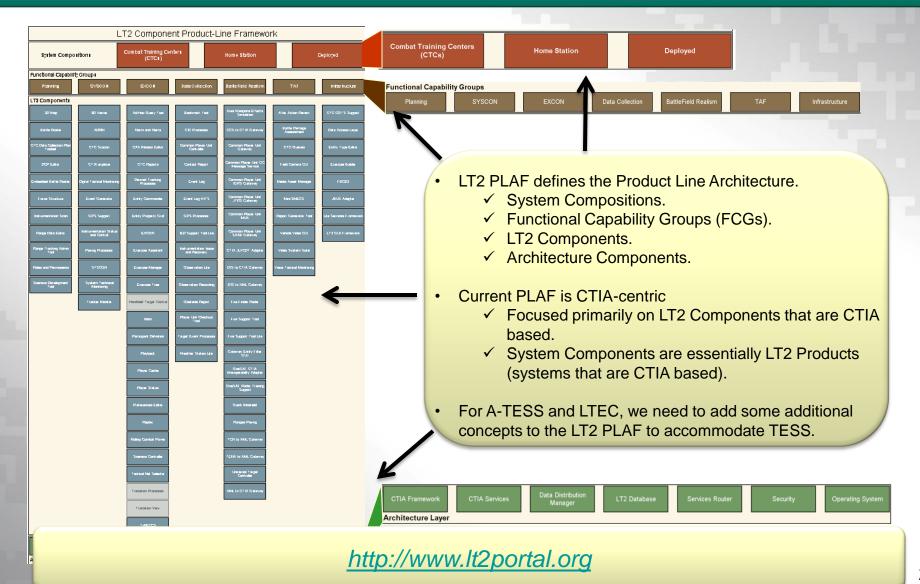


Initial capability demonstration:

- ✓ Embedding MILES XXI-like capability on a Stryker.
- ✓ Only hardware used were MILES XXI Belts.
- ✓ LTEC running on Tactical Stryker VDET.

PM TRADE

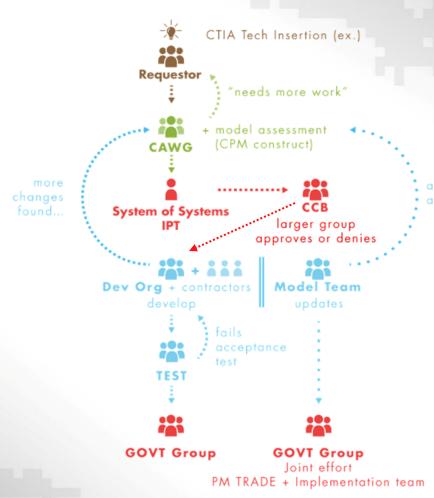
Current Product Line Architecture Framework



Governance







Any member of the LT2 Product Line can submit a CACP

The CAWG consists of industry and government representatives that review the CACP and conducts impact assessments.

also provides assessments

Model Team and Development Team collaborate to make sure model changes match implementation

Government teams for developer and model sustainer collaborate during validation, to ensure model matches implementation

Test & Training Initiatives

Growing the LTEC Product Line



- Automated Casualty Assessment (ACA).
 - ✓ Elimination of "MILES Casualty Cards"
 - ✓ Leverage existing OneTESS Engagement Methodology.
 - ✓ Focus on providing an <u>initial and usable</u> set of software.
 - ✓ Medic/Buddy/Self Aid growth area.
- Dismount
 - Design to work with a wide range of processing environments,
 - Current IWS HCU Smart Phone
- Ground Combat Vehicle.
 - ✓ Embedded TESS.
- Physics Based Engagements.
 - ✓ Integrate RPEL into the LTEC Product Line.
 - ✓ JFCOM / Northrop Grumman Physics Based Model Alignment.
- · Laser Test Range.
 - ✓ Support Test & Evaluation of emerging I-MILES/A-TESS acquisitions.
 - ✓ Evaluation of alternative laser technologies.
 - ✓ Augment MILES / TESS laboratory.



MILES/TESS Test Bed

Purpose



Purpose / Plan.

- ✓ Provide the capability to analyze, test and evaluate MILES laser equipment in a "standard" environment.
- ✓ Begin with stand alone lab.
- ✓ Evolve to an end-end TESS Test & Evaluation laboratory with a LT2 Core IS.

Possibilities & Planned Uses.

- ✓ Analysis of system functionality and new technologies.
- ✓ Trade studies and Technology Readiness Evaluations (TREs).
- ✓ Acceptance testing.
- ✓ Trouble shoot issues identified in the field.
- ✓ Independent, contractor integration and test.

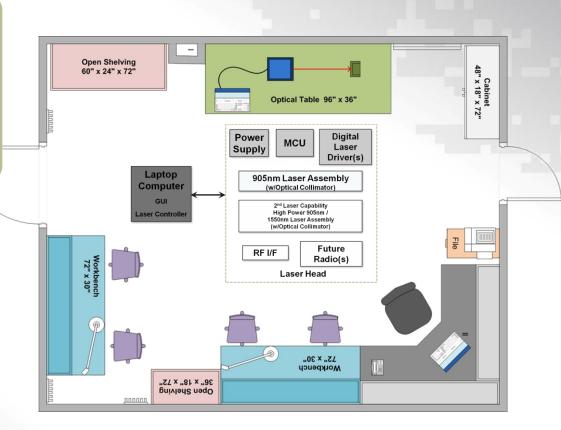


MILES/TESS Test Bed

Evolutionary Growth



- Phase I, Completed Q2FY13.
 - ✓ Lab Facility
 - ✓ MILES Laser Test Set
- Phase II, Completed Q2FY13.
 - ✓ Laser Characterization.
 - ✓ Laser Detector Test Set.
- Phase III, ETC Q4FY13.
 - ✓ Detector Sensitivity Test Set.
- Phase IV, ETC Q2FY14.
 - ✓ Lab Expansion RF Lab.
 - ✓ RF Communications Test Sets.
- Phase V, ETC Q4FY14.
 - ✓ Geo-Paring Test Set.
- Phase VI, ETC Q2FY15.
 - ✓ R&D, 7m RF Anechoic and Shield Room.



Way Ahead



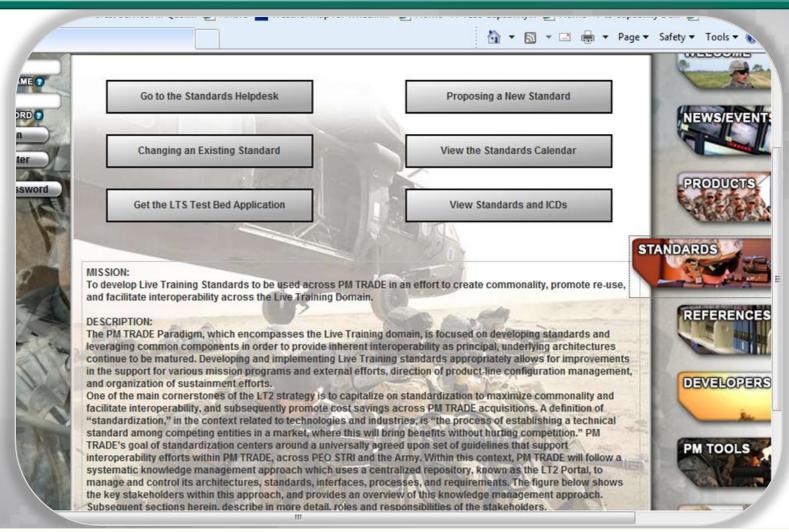
- Collaborate & Design.
 - ✓ <u>Nothing</u> is off the table.
 - ✓ Start from the notion of what TESS would look like if we started today.
 - ✓ Architecturally aligned.
 - ✓ Standards based.
 - ✓ Grow the LTEC Software Product Line.
 - ✓ LT2 Governance.
 - ✓ Leverage UCATT efforts.
- Test & Experiment.
 - ✓ TESS Lab.
 - Standard compliance.
 - ✓ Demonstrate new technology.
- ✓ Retire & Refresh.
 - ✓ Retire legacy MILES.
 - ✓ M2K obsolescence by 2018.



Architecturally driven, operationally proven.

LT2 Standards Portal Update

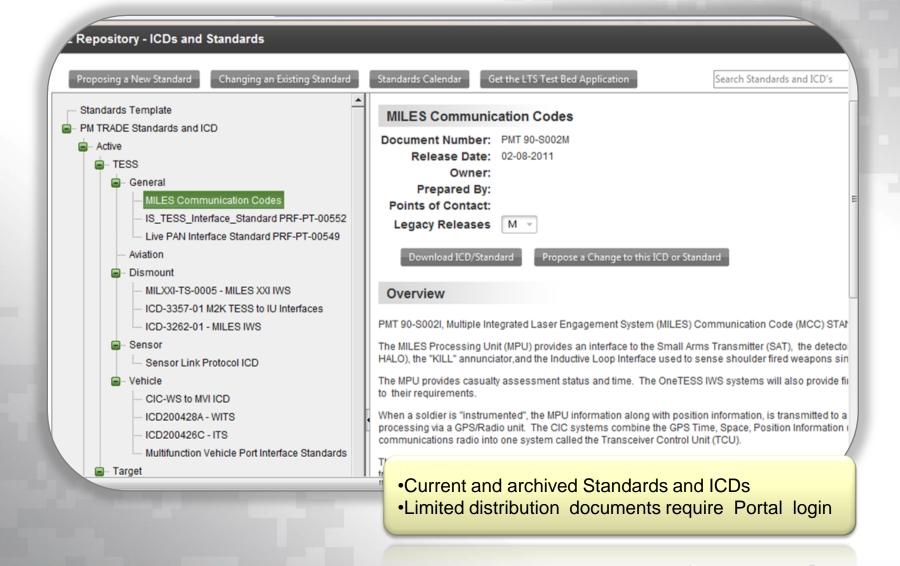




LT2 Community has released a new standards page! https://www.lt2portal.org/

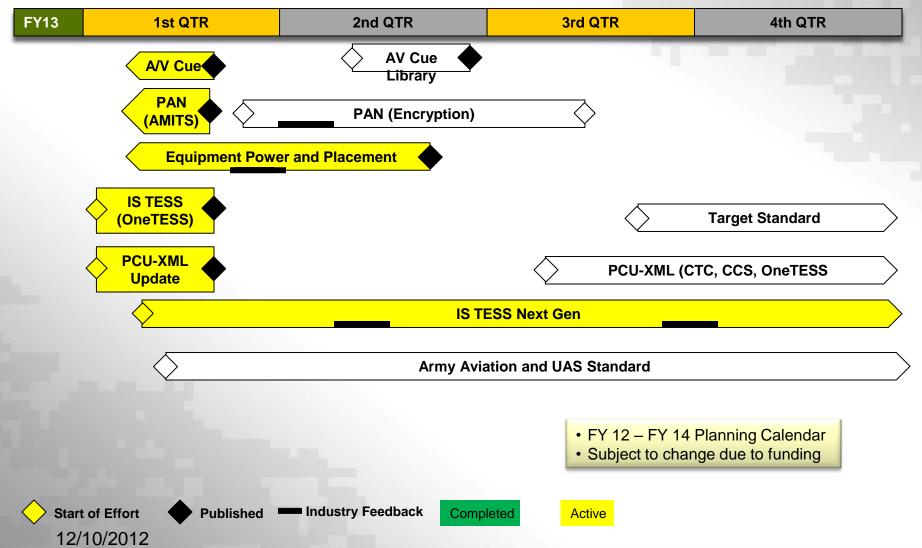
LT2 ICD Portal Update





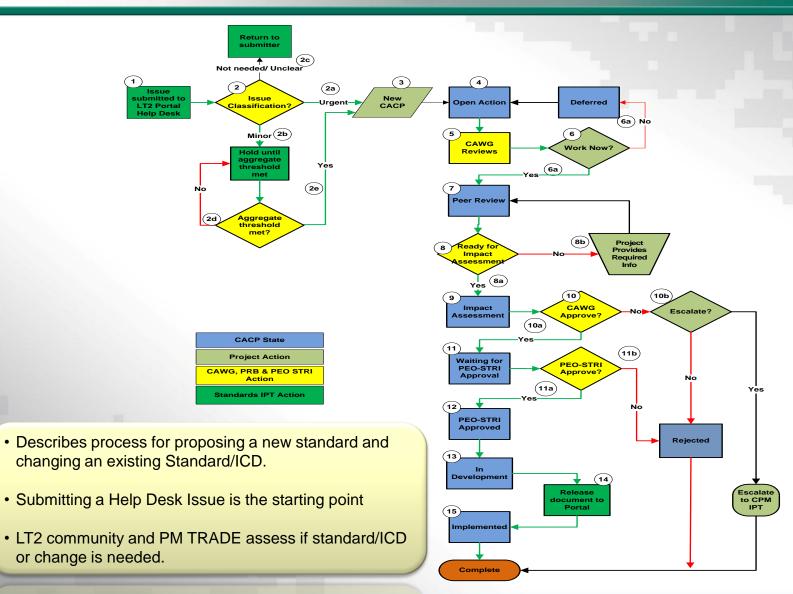
PM TRADE Standards Calendar FY13





PM TRADE Standards Change Process





IS/TESS Test Bed



me LT2 Repository

LTS Test Bed Application

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The LTS Test Bed Application has been developed to provide contractors with a test bed environment to validate that their TESS meets the requirements of that future Instrumentation system radios/networks meet/interoperate with the TESS devices. This test bed will save TRADE and its contractors from having and resources at the Combat Training Centers (CTCs) or homestations to test their devices.

Currently, the downloadable test bed application is available for testing with the IS-TESS Standard only. Live PAN Standard testing requires additional equi available upon request.

- · Executable Code
 - LTS Test Bed Application.exe
- · Test Cases
 - Instrumentation System (IS) Testing
 - Instrumentation System (IS) Dismont Config Test Case.doc
 - Instrumentation System (Vehicle Test Config) Test Case.doc
 - TESS Testing
 - Test Case for Testing Dismount TESS.doc
 - Test Case for Testing Vehicle TESS.doc
- User Manual
 - Live Training Standards (LTS) Test Bed App User Guide.do
- Software emulator that validate compliance to the ISTESS Standard.
- · Hardware that tests Live PAN compliance
- Future integration with the TESS test bed.

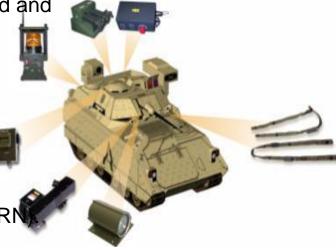
Audio / Visual Cueing



 <u>Purpose</u>: Define the Audio/Visual cues that training devices provide to Live Participants (BlueFor, OPFOR, Role-player, Combat/Trainers).

• Scope:

- ✓ Short Term (version 1.0 of the standard).
 - ➤ TESS (Status Indicator, Weapon Signature, User Interface).
 - Individual, Manned and Unmanned Ground, Manned and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles.
 - Initial Indirect Fire Chain.
 - > IEDs.
- Long Term (FY 13+).
 - Medical.
 - Complete Indirect Fire Chain.
 - Chemical Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN)
 - Linkage into ATESS architecture.
 - > Targets.
- Schedule: Second release of draft to industry in Dec 2012



Power Standard



- <u>Purpose</u>: Define specifications for the sources, interfaces and distribution for battery, vehicle, shore, and portable power.
- Scope: Cover all types of power.
 - ✓ Short Term (version 1.0 of the standard).
 - Standards committee is currently determining initial scope.
 - Potentially include batteries.
 - Distribution and sharing power between different Programs of Record's equipment (TESS and Radio).
 - ✓ Long Term Vision.
 - Work with TCM Soldier to standardized small unit battery usage.
 - Work with the vehicle PMs to understand the power provided by the multifunction vehicle port.
- Schedule
 - ✓ Draft for industry comments (focused on high capacity batteries) by 31 Dec 2012

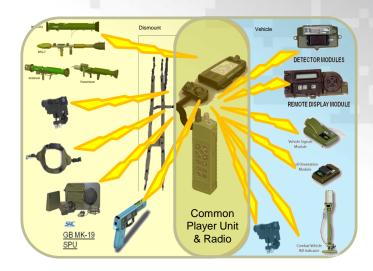




PAN Standard



- <u>Status</u>: Version 1 Rev 1 Published on LT2 Portal. Vendors and PM LTS have requested modifications.
- Scope:
 - ✓ Removing 900MHz capability from Std.
 - ➤ Allow PM LTS to have common components across all programs and locations.
 - ✓ Adding other interfaces to the Std.
 - Current Std only includes wireless.
 - Adding wired interfaces to support LTEC.
 - > Adding other functionality i.e. repeater.
- Schedule: Release of Rev C in December 2012.



PAN Extension

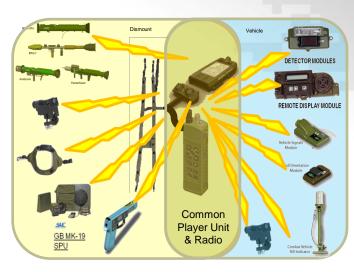


Issue:

- ✓ COTS devices (e.g. tablets) does not typically include a LT2 PAN capability.
- ✓ LT2 PAN has a low data rate.

Action:

- ✓ Study applicability of commercial standards to Live Training Use Cases
- ✓ Use Cases include
 - Client Server (ie TESS component)
 - > Broadcast of events (ie IED detonation)
 - Exchange of data (ie Medical)
- ✓ Standards include.
 - Bluetooth , Bluetooth Low Energy, NFC.
- Schedule: 2Q, FY 13 Industry Meeting.



IS/TESS ICD Redesign



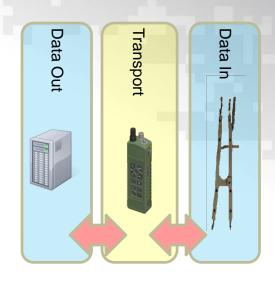
• <u>Issue</u>:

- ✓ Current IS TESS includes message format which
 - > Forces customization of COTS
 - Requires modification to radios to change TESS messages

Action:

- ✓ Remove message format from IS TESS Std.
- ✓IS TESS defines connection between radio and device; inserted header information, etc
- ✓ Radios systems transport data as received







Future Workshops

Proposed



- Training Effectiveness & Usage Tracking.
- Live Training Engagement Composition (LTEC).
 - ✓ Compose-ability.
 - ✓ Embedded Training.
- Laser Communications.
 - ✓ Q2FY13 SBIR.
 - ✓ UCATT.
 - ✓ Dual Protocol Laser Transmitters & Detectors.
- Redesign IS-TESS ICD.
 - ✓ Promote passing of software updates from IS to TESS.
 - ✓ Eliminate discrete message dependency at the IS radio.
- LT2 PAN Standard.
 - ✓ Promote passing of software update from IS to TESS.

Communicating with Industry



- Communicating with you is important to us.
 - ✓ We intend to keep industry informed and involved.
 - ✓ Government wants feedback and participation.
- LT2 Portal Community Collaboration Area
 - ✓ From LT2 Portal (https://www.lt2portal.org/).
 - > Select "Collaborate" (must register for an account, but no security clearance required).
- How to provide feedback.
 - ✓ Use Portal Collaboration Area.
 - ✓ Create Issues/Topics, Forum Posts, Email Community.

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